

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please substitute the paragraph that begins "With attention to Figures 6-8 ..." on page 7 of the as-filed specification (the 34<sup>th</sup> paragraph in the as-filed specification) with the following paragraph:

[0034] With attention to Figures 6-8 ~~the~~ a first end 20a of return pipe 20 is attached by coupling 30 to a filter 32 in the bottom of pan 18. Filter 32 is typically steel mesh covered by a filter media (not shown) and filter oil is drawn by the pump (not shown) from ~~the~~ beneath the filter 32. A filter cake then builds on the upper surface of filter 32. When the pan 18 is withdrawn, from beneath the fryer 121 the return pipe 19 is uncoupled from the return coupling 22, and coupling 30 is loosened to remove the first end 20a of pipe 20 from filter 32. The filter 32 can then be withdrawn from the filter pan 18. Typically the filter media (not shown) will be paper or cloth as described in the above related patent. Also, however, a filtering aid is typically used to promote a uniform build up of cake on the upper surface of the filter. Filtering aid is a particulate material such as diatomaceous earth which is an inert material, or preferably, a silicate such as Magnasol which is a reactive material. Magnasol is obtainable from Ciba Specialty Chemicals of Basil, Switzerland.